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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Pamela R. CONTAG, et al.

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Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for responding to the outstanding Notice to File Missing Parts of Application be extended **four months** from **November 29, 1997** to **March 29, 1998** by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. §1.17) is believed to be **\$755.00** for a **four months** extension for a **small** entity. Please charge the Petition fee to Howrey & Simon's Deposit Account No. 08-3038.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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